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**U.S. PATENTS**

Patent No.	Inventor(s)	Issue Date
None.		

**FOREIGN PATENTS**

Country	Patent No./Publication No.	Publication Date
EP	0 488 855 A1	June 3, 1992
WO	1992/012294 A1	July 23, 1992
DE	41 22 136 A1	January 7, 1993
GB	1 403 049	August 13, 1975
GB	1 499 012	January 25, 1978

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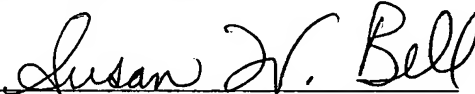
Applicant respectfully requests that these references be made of record in the above-identified application and considered by the Examiner during prosecution of the application.

It is respectfully submitted that the present invention as claimed is patentable over the listed references.

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Acknowledgment of receipt is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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